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For: REDUCING SIGNALLING IN AN H.323 NETWORK BY ARRANGING GATEKEEPERS HIERARCHICALLY

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## AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2003, the Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks:

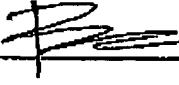
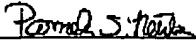
**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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Invention: REDUCING SIGNALLING IN AN H.323 NETWORK BY ARRANGING GATEKEEPERS HIERARCHICALLY					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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